

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA**

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Vacancies in High Court
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the sanctioned strength of judges in Guwahati High Court; and

(b) whether vacancies exist in the said court and if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken to fill by these vacancies at the earliest?

Answer

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW AND JUSTICE AND ELECTRONICS AND
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(a) & (b) : There are 24 sanctioned posts of Judges in Gauhati High Court. Out of this, as on 24.03.2017, 7 posts of Judges are lying vacant.

Filling up of vacancies in High Courts is a continuous and collaborative process of the Judiciary and the Executive. While every effort is made to fill up the existing vacancies expeditiously, vacancies keep on arising on account of retirement, resignation or elevation of Judges and increase in the Judge strength of High Courts. Hence, the time frame for filling up of the vacancies cannot be indicated. However, during the calendar year 2016, 5 judges have been appointed in the Gauhati High Court so far.